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	Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.20	7.10
Kowloon	Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.20	7.10
Yau-mat	Dep.	6.50	9.25	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.38	7.19
Shatin	Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51	7.31
Tai-po	Dep.	7.18	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04	7.44
Tai-po Market	Dep.	7.31	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.08	7.48
Fanning	Dep.	7.32	10.01	11.16	12.46	1.54	5.14	6.09	7.49
Shengshui	Dep.	7.38	10.07	11.22	12.52	1.59	5.19	6.14	7.54
Shumchun	Arr.	7.42	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.03	5.23	6.18	7.58

	Dep.	7.21	8.05	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.48
Shumchun	Dep.	7.21	8.05	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.48
Shengshui	Dep.	7.23	8.12	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	6.55
Fanning	Dep.	7.32	8.18	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	6.59
Tai-po Market	Dep.	7.42	8.28	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	7.09
Tai-po	Dep.	7.48	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	7.13
Shatin	Dep.	7.58	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.35	4.52	5.48	7.23
Yau-mat	Dep.	8.12	8.53	11.28	12.33	3.45	4.58	5.54	7.33
Kowloon	Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	3.53	5.19	6.11	7.36

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

	Dep.	6.40	8.35	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.20	7.10
Kowloon	Dep.	6.40	8.35	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.20	7.10
Yau-mat	Dep.	6.50	8.45	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.38	7.19
Shatin	Dep.	7.02	8.56	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51	7.31
Tai-po	Dep.	7.18	9.09	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04	7.44
Tai-po Market	Dep.	7.31	9.25	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.08	7.48
Fanning	Dep.	7.32	9.25	11.16	12.46	1.54	5.14	6.09	7.49
Shengshui	Dep.	7.38	9.31	11.22	12.52	1.59	5.19	6.14	7.54
Shumchun	Arr.	7.42	9.35	11.28	12.58	2.03	5.23	6.18	7.58

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Shumchun	Dep.	8.12	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.20	6.48	7.10
Shengshui	Dep.	8.19	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.27	6.55	7.19
Fanning	Dep.	8.23	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.31	7.01	7.23
Tai-po Market	Dep.	8.33	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.41	7.11	7.33
Tai-po	Dep.	8.37	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.45	7.15	7.37
Shatin	Dep.	8.51	11.17	12.21	3.35	4.52	5.55	7.25	7.47
Yau-mat	Dep.	9.03	11.28	12.33	3.45	4.58	6.01	7.35	7.57
Kowloon	Arr.	9.11	11.37	12.41	3.53	5.19	6.20	7.43	7.65

	Dep.	7.45	11.30	12.30	3.00	4.15	5.05	6.00	7.00
Fanning	Dep.	7.45	11.30	12.30	3.00	4.15	5.05	6.00	7.00
Shataukok	Arr.	8.40	12.25	1.15	7.20	8.15	9.10	10.00	11.00

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| 1 Qt. Guillemart Champagne. |
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| 1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy. |
| 1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy. |
| 2 Qts. King Geo. IV. or Perfection Whisky. |
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| 1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy. |
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WEMBLEY'S SUCCESS. THE PRINCE'S THANKS.

The Prince of Wales, as President of the British Empire Exhibition, has sent to the Duke of Devonshire a letter in which he cordially thanks the Dominion authorities, the guarantors and workers, and all others who have co-operated in the organisation of "Our Great Imperial Enterprise." His Royal Highness holds that, apart from the financial results, the project in a very full measure achieved its purpose. The text of the letter is as follows:—

"At the close of the 1924 session of the British Empire Exhibition—I use that term rather than writing 'the close of the Exhibition,' for I share the hope (which I know you and others entertain) that the great picture of the Empire, which has been assembled at Wembley Park will be further used for the work of educating the peoples of the Empire in the greatness of their heritage—I wish to give my heartfelt thanks to all who have assisted in the organisation of our great Imperial enterprise.

"There have been some disappointments in regard to the Exhibition: the financial results have not met early anticipations, but I think all will agree that in very full measure the Exhibition has attained its purpose of helping Imperial trade and education and of fostering a 'family feeling' within the Empire. In particular, the people of the Home Country have had brought home to them the greatness of the Commonwealth of Nations which has its centre in these islands. One may dare to hope that satisfaction with this achievement will serve to compensate in a measure for other disappointments.

"In a special measure our thanks are due to the guarantors who gave their credit for the construction of the Exhibition. Without their generous aid the Exhibition could never have been held. I trust that, in the ultimate result, they will not be called upon to make an undue sacrifice on account of their patriotism.

"The splendid manner in which the self-governing Dominions, India, the Colonies, the Protectorates, and Mandated Territories have assisted in the work of the Exhibition deserves our warmest gratitude. Thanks to them, we were able to present a complete and vivid picture of the Empire. In an equal measure the exhibitors of the United Kingdom deserve thanks. Never before in the records of Exhibitions has there been so fine a representation of arts, crafts, and industries as those shown in the Palace of Engineering, the Palace of Industry, and the Palace of Arts.

"I wish to express also my thanks to the members of the board, to the administrative staff, to the architects, engineers, surveyors, and to all the various workers connected with the Exhibition. Nor do I forget the very valuable work of the various advisory committees which assisted with their counsel and advice. I should have liked to have written to all personally, but as that was impossible I ask you to convey to them, on my behalf, as president of the Exhibition, warm congratulations on the success of their devoted efforts.—EDWARD P. PRINCE."

PORTUGUESE DOMESTIC POLICY.

Parliament was opened at Lisbon on November 14th. The Clerical Party protested against what they declared to be the anti-religious policy of the Government, whose supporters, however, refused to listen to the protests.

Senhor Rodrigues Gaspar, the Prime Minister, although unwell, read a long report on the work carried out during the interregnum. He stated that the collection of revenues had been greatly intensified, and that Civil Service salaries had been increased only where strictly necessary. The sales of mined silver and the conversion of the proceeds into sterling securities were being continued. The Lisbon Mint had failed to produce more than 4,000,000 escudos (the par value of the escudo is 4s. 5d.; the worth at the present rate of exchange is a little over 8d.) of the new nickel coinage to date, at which rate the total mintage would take 14 years. There had been an improvement in the exchange and the tendency was for it to remain steady. The improvement would, he admitted, provoke an industrial crisis for a certain period, and he outlined a scheme for helping industry by advances on mortgage. He also foreshadowed a great improvement in the next Budget and a number of other objectives of purely local interest.

In spite of the optimistic tone of the Prime Minister's speech, the Nationalists, Monarchists, Clericals, and Radicals are counting on the accession of the Democratic Party, the Lefts, under Senhor Domingos dos Santos, being dissatisfied with the present Government.

SCOTTISH PEERS.

REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED.

The Peers of Scotland met at Holyrood Palace, Edinburgh, on November 3rd, and elected the following sixteen of their number to serve as representative Scottish Peers in the new Parliament:

Lord Salkoun.	Lord Fairfax of Cameron.
Lord Sinclair.	Earl of Argyll.
Earl of Caithness.	Earl of Leven and Melville.
Earl of Morton.	Lord Bellhaven and Stenton.
Lord Sempill.	Marquis of Queensberry.
Earl of Mar & Kellie.	Earl of Breadalbane.
Lord Halkour of Burleigh.	
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HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The following is a summary of the speech delivered by Mr. Takeshi Shirani, President of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, at the shareholders' semi-annual general meeting held at Tokyo on November 25th:—

The President, in recommending the adoption of the report, said that the net profit for the term under review amounted to ¥1,900,000, showing an increase of ¥300,000 over that of the previous term, and ¥300,000 over that of the corresponding term last year. Unfortunately, however, this increase was by no means indicative of any sign of improvement in the shipping trade, such increase being, in a great measure, due to the depreciation of the yen exchange, and the temporary inflation of passenger traffic for the Pacific Coast of America, pending the operation of the new immigration law of the United States. The actual condition of the continued shipping depression might be gauged by the fact that, in spite of the increase of net profit, the tonnage of cargo and the number of passengers actually handled during the term were both about ten per cent. below the figures of the previous term.

In order to enable the Directors to recommend a dividend of ten per cent., the President said, they had to propose a further impulsion on the dividend equalisation fund to the extent of ¥1,250,000.

The President, continuing, said that the intensity of the shipping depression still continued unabated all the world over, and, although some slight signs of recovery were from time to time noticeable, the situation, on the whole, had not measurably risen from the rock bottom of decline. This lamentable state of affairs was, as had been repeatedly pointed out by his predecessor, due to the continued excess of the world's tonnage of steam and motor vessels over the persistently dwindling volume of trade. The economic paralysis with which Continental Europe continued to be afflicted, stood in the way of improvement of the world's trade. However, the importance of the recognition by the Powers of the Dances' can not be overrated, as being so far the most hopeful means of solving the German reparations question, which has so long been blocking the way to economic reconstruction. The President, while laying stress on the difficulties still in store in the conduct of the Company's business, expressed his hope that, with the prospective gradual settlement of affairs in Europe, trade would commence to revive, with the result that brighter days would once more dawn for shipping business the world over.

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The latest use of rubber latex to be proposed is that of a preservative for fruits, notes the *J. R. Journal*. It is announced that Dr. P. J. S. Cramer has found that simply by dipping tropical fruits in latex and allowing the film to harden, they can be shipped to markets in temperate zones without special provision for cold storage. Dr. Cramer has forwarded fresh strawberries treated in this way, the fruit holding its flavour, form, and aroma, and practically the same stage of ripeness from ten to fourteen days. He has also shipped latex-dipped ripe mangoes and mangosteens, from Buitenzorg, in Java, to Europe, where their arrival was proclaimed in perfect condition. The theory underlying the new method is that the ripening of fruits is an oxidation process, depending on free absorption of oxygen, and the exhalation of carbon dioxide. The rubber latex coagulates into an airtight envelope, which checks both processes.

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An interesting announcement is made that Sir Philip Lloyd-Greaves, President of the Board of Trade, is to change his name and that in future, he will be known as Sir Philip Cunliffe Liston. The change is being made, it is stated, as the result of a legacy.



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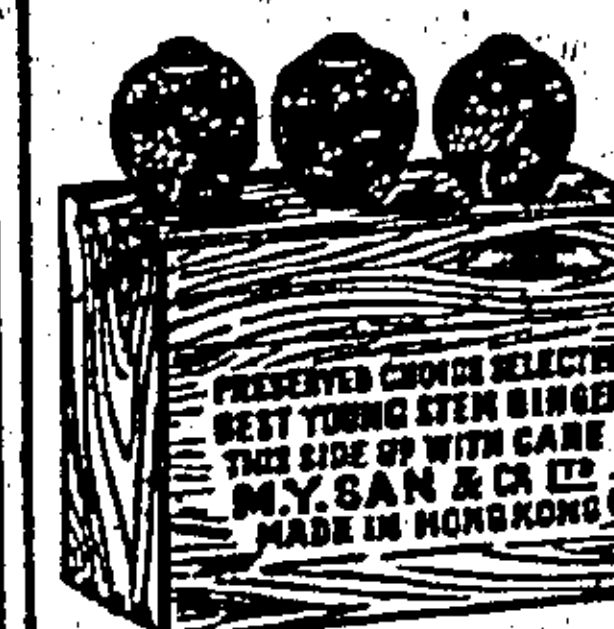
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SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY.
AGREEMENT AS TO PROFITS.

The following is the essential part of the agreement recently concluded between the Ministry of Communications and the British and Chinese Corporation and sanctioned by the High Court in London, referring to the profits of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway:—

Provisional agreement for compromise of the matters in manner hereinafter appearing now this agreement with the Ministry of Communications and the British and Chinese Corporation and sanctioned by the High Court in London, referring to the profits of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway:—

1. This agreement shall be subject to the sanction of the High Court of Justice in England, and the Corporation shall forthwith at its own cost take the necessary steps for obtaining and shall use its best endeavours to obtain such sanction with all possible despatch.

2. With respect to the said four-fifths share of the net profits earned during each of the five years, 1923 to 1927, inclusive, a sum equivalent to £20,000 shall be set aside at the end of each respective year by the Railway Administration at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at Shanghai, and in the year 1928 such a sum shall be set aside as, together with the accumulations of the previous five years, will, after deducting bank's commission, amount to a total sum of £116,000; and in 1929 the total sum so accumulated shall be applied for redemption of bonds at par and bank's commission as and in manner provided in Article 15 of the Loan Agreement. Interest on these deposits shall be allowed by the said bank at its advertised rates for the time being for twelve months' fixed deposits, subject to any change of rate from the date of such change, and will be payable half-yearly.

3. With respect to the said four-fifths share of the net profits earned during each of the years 1928 to 1933, a sum equivalent to £116,000 shall be paid to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at Shanghai as and in manner provided in Article 15 of the Loan Agreement, together with the amount required for the bank's commission in each year as provided in the said Article, and shall be used for redemption of the Loan Bonds at par in accordance with the Schedule hereto and in the manner provided by Article 20 of the Loan Agreement. In the event of the said four-fifths share not amounting in any one year to a sum equivalent to £116,000, the deficiency will be made good by the Chinese Government. Interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum on all moneys which shall have been applied in redemption of the Loan Bonds shall be deducted from the yearly income of the railway before arriving at the net profits, in accordance with Article 12 of the Loan Agreement.

4. As regards the residue, if any, of the four-fifths share of the said profits remaining in any year after making the full payments mentioned in the two preceding Articles, the whole of such residue, if it does not exceed \$250,000, or if it exceeds that sum, the sum of not less than \$250,000 shall be set aside and applied in such year for direct use for capital expenditure or as security for temporary or short-term advances to be from time to time arranged between the Director-General and the Corporation and applied in respect of such capital expenditure. Interest at the rate for the time being current for advances to the Chinese Government on the amount so set aside and applied after the date of this agreement under this clause or raised by way of advances to the Corporation and applied for capital expenditure, shall be deducted from the yearly income before arriving at the net profits, in accordance with Article 12 of the Loan Agreement.

5. Any surplus now outstanding of the said four-fifths of profits in any one year remaining, after providing for the full payments mentioned in the preceding Articles, may be applied by the Ministry of Communications to meet the loan service of any other Chinese Government Railway, preference being given to those railways in which the Corporation and Chinese Central Railways, Ltd., are interested.

6. In the event of the sanction of the Court not being obtained by the Corporation, this Agreement shall be void and nothing herein contained shall prejudice or affect the rights or contentions of either party.

7. This Agreement having been signed and sealed by the contracting parties, a copy will be officially communicated to the Minister of Great Britain in Peking by the Waichiaoan.

This Agreement is executed in quadruplicate, two copies to be retained by the Ministry of Communications and two by the Corporation.

"DAWES PLAN" FOR CHINA.
PROPOSED CONFERENCE.

It is reported in financial circles in New York that a "Dawes Plan" for China, to be arranged by business men rather than diplomats, will be discussed shortly at an international conference to be called by China. Meanwhile, American business interests operating in the Far East have suggested to the State Department that at the Conference that country should favour the funding of old Chinese obligations, instead of endorsing new loans.

The revelation of the project is due to recent advices from Peking, which indicated that Dr. C. T. Wang (then the Foreign Minister) intended to invite the various Powers interested in China to attend a Conference to discuss measures to raise China from her present financial straits.

In Washington, State Department officials have no comment to make with regard to the proposed scheme for Chinese financial reconstruction, and do not say whether the Department is aware of the plan, or would look favourably upon it.

SHANGHAI PROBLEMS.

CARE OF FOREIGN PAUPERS
AND OF THE INSANE.

The Charity Organisation Committee of the Kings Daughters' Society recently requested the Municipal Council of Shanghai to appoint a Commission to consider the question of Poor Law and Poor Law Relief in Shanghai and to enquire into the provision for the mentally deficient and insane.

The Acting Secretary of the Council in reply wrote that these questions had been considered by the Council from time to time, and in particular, the whole question as to whether the maintenance of indigent foreign persons could be allowed to become a burden upon the Municipal revenues was carefully investigated by a Special Committee, in 1916, as set forth in the Annual Report for that year. As a result of that investigation the Council came to the conclusion that it could not assume responsibility for maintaining indigent persons in Shanghai, in whole or in part, and the reasons for its decision were set forth in its letter of March 1st, 1916, to the Charity Organisation Committee, as also in the Report of the Special Committee adopted by the Council in the same year.

The findings of this Special Committee were governed by conditions not materially different from those now prevailing, and the Council does not, therefore, consider that any useful purpose would be served by appointing a further Special Committee to consider this question.

It does not appear that the demand for provision for the mentally deficient and insane, alters the essential character of the problem. It is apprehended that there would be a tendency for the mentally deficient, like other necessitous persons, to gravitate to the Settlement from all parts of China and from the Far East generally, and that the Council would be faced by abnormal demands for the cost of their maintenance, which would have a direct influence in raising the rates of taxation.

Furthermore, the Council cannot escape from the fact that much of its revenue is derived from Chinese residents, none of whom would benefit by such a scheme of relief, and such discrimination between two classes of ratepayers would be bound to react unfavourably on the attitude of the Chinese community towards the Council's authority.

As regards the task of suppressing beggars and impostors, also referred to in your letter, this is undertaken by the Municipal Police, but it is rendered difficult by the indifference of the public and their reluctance to prosecute.

I am directed therefore to inform you, with regret, that the Council does not see its way to appoint the Special Commission which you propose, or to take any action which would imply acceptance of responsibility for the maintenance of indigent poor of foreign nationality or for the custody and well-being of the mentally deficient.

"SAINT JOAN"

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Not having seen "Saint Joan", but only read it, it is possible only to give an idea of how the play presents itself to the imagination. But there are those who have seen it and who speak glowingly of it and of the central character. Take the Maid, as she is often referred to. Under our eyes she grows and develops from moment to moment, says a well-known London critic. At first she is just eager and bright and reasonable, and patriotic; by the fifth scene she has aged perceptibly, seen her king crowned, and has wept, has even learned a little bitterness; in the sixth scene she is simply, and at the last desperately fighting for her life, a girl no longer, almost a hunted, disappointed woman; finally she realises that she is unique and alone, she has learnt pity, she has re-appeared her humour. The last scene is poignant to see. It is what the old Gaelic poets would call "the binding", the last verse that brings together and sums up all that has gone before.

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The Chinese guests were numerous, and at their head was the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun and the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotevall.

The guests represented all the leaders of the Colony, naval, military, official and legal. His Excellency the Governor was present, and also Vice-Admiral Everett and the General Officer Commanding, Sir John Fowler.

The principal guest, of course, was the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C.

The other guests were: His Excellency the Governor, Sir Reginald Stubbs, K.C.M.G., H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir Allan F. Everett, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., C.B., H.E. Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., His Honour Sir Henry Gollan, K.C., C.B.E., Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, C.B., the Hon. Sir Claude Severn, K.B.E., C.M.G., LL.D., the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., C.B.E., the Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer, O.B.E., the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, K.C., C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Hoyle, the Hon. Mr. H. J. Gompertz, Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.E., the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Capt. Superintendent of Police), the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, the Hon. Mr. C. Montague Eds., Mr. R. H. Kotevall, Mr. A. H. Barlow, Mr. A. H. Ferguson, Mr. B. D. F. Beith, Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. Paul Lander, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. C. G. Mackie, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., Mr. F. C. Jenkin, C.B.E., Captain R. A. R. Neville, R.M.L.I., Mr. T. J. Gaisford St. Lawrence, Flag-Lieut. D. Dangerfield, R.N., Lieut. Searle, Paymaster-Lieut. E. B. T. Church.

The following were the hosts:—Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun, Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotevall, Sir Robert Ho Tung, K.C., LL.D., Messrs. Ho Fook, Chau Siu Ki, Au Long Hin, Chan Harr, Chan Kam Po, Chan Pik Chun, Chan Shu Ming, Chan Tin Sun, Chau Chung Pang, T. N. Chau, Chan Tung Sang, Chau Yue Ting, Choy Chong, Foo Yick Pang, Fung Ping Shan, Ho Lu, Ho Kam Tong, Ho Ki, Ho Kwong, Ho Leung, Ho Wing, H. K. Hung, Ip Wing Cho, Kan Tung Po, Kan Ying Po, Kwok W. Kwok Shun, P. L. Kwok, Kwok Shiu Lok, Lau Yee, Lau King Cho, Lau Tak Po, Lau Yuk Wan, Leung But Yu, Leung Ki Ho, Leung Wing Cheung, Li Chor Son, Li Kit, Cho, Li Koon Chun, Li Ping, Li Po Kwai, Li Sing Kui, Li Tse Fong, Li Wing Kwong, Li Yau Chun, Li Yau Tsun, Li Yik Mui, Li Ying Cho, Lo Cheung Shiu, Lo Chung Kue, Lo Chung Wan, M. K. Lo, M. W. Lo, Look Poon Shan, Ma Chi Lung, Ma Tsai Chin, Mok Ching Kong, Mok Kok Sang, Ng Tsang Luk, Tai Tsu Yee, Fong Wai Ting, Poon Pui Yee, Sang Sam, Sam Pak Ming, Tang Chi Kwong, Tang Shiu Kin, To Sze Tuen, Tong Hok Ting, Tsai Ka Po, Dr. S. W. Tso, LL.D., Mr. H. K. Woo, Dr. T. P. Woo, Messrs. J. M. Wong, Wong Kwong Tin, Wong Oi Kut, Wong Pak Son, Wong Ping Suen, Wong Tak Kwong, B. Wong Tape, Wong Yun Tong, Yik Ki Chow, Yu Wai Pan, Yuen Man Chuen, Yung Tsz Ming, and Fung Kong Un.

"THE PRINCIPAL GUEST"

The toast "The King" was proposed by Mr. Chow Shou-sun, and responded to, and His Excellency the Governor proposed "The Republic of China."

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun, in proposing "The Principal Guest," said that he had just received a telegram from Sir Robert Ho Tung, which was as follows:—Convey to Sir Henry my best wishes at to-night's dinner—Ho Tung.

Mr. Chow Shou-sun went on to say:—Your Excellencies, Sir Henry Pollock and Gentlemen,—We are here this evening to do honour to our esteemed friend, Sir Henry Pollock, on the occasion of his elevation to the distinguished rank of Knight Bachelor. (Hear, hear.) The large number of his hosts represent practically all sections of the Chinese community, including members of the legal profession of which Sir Henry is such a shining light, and it may therefore be said that they represent the whole Chinese community of the Colony. This happy gathering is the manifestation of the very high esteem and regard which the Chinese have cherished for our honoured guest. What has endeared Sir Henry to the general community of Hongkong is the example of unselfishness and devotion to duty which he has set by dedicating his talents and the best part of his life to the public service of the Colony. His worth has been shown in the manner in which he has discharged the onerous duties of the many responsible offices which he has held during his thirty-seven years of active career in Hongkong.

Whether he was performing the duties of a Police Magistrate, or Puisne Judge, or Attorney-General, or of unofficial member of the Executive and Legislative Councils, he was ever painstaking, thorough, and absolutely impartial.

The numerous victorious battles which Sir Henry has waged against adversity, Kings, Queens, Bishops and Knights upon the battlefield of the chess-board are only a minor indication of his prowess in other fields of human activity. He is a born fighter, and as every one of his adversaries will readily admit, he fights clean. (Hear, hear.)

Some of you gentlemen may have known Sir Henry for a longer period than myself, but I yield to none in esteem and admiration for my learned and honourable friend. During the years that I have been on the Legislative Council, I have come into frequent and close contact with him, and I have learned to respect him for his public spirit, his singleness of purpose, and his readiness at all times to sacrifice his time, not only in the interest of the Colony, but also of private individuals who seek his help. Sir Henry is indeed the champion of the "under-dog." The poor and needy can always be assured of his sympathetic hearing and unstinted assistance. He takes a lively interest even in dumb animals, being President of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. (Laughter.) Gentlemen, we are indeed proud of such a friend and fellow citizen, and proud of the honour which His Majesty the King has conferred on him.

I must not close without mentioning the good lady who has been Sir Henry's help-mate and collaborator in his good work for so many years—Lady Pollock. Those who have known Lady Pollock know that her heart cherishes benevolence towards all humanity, and that to her the Colony owes much for the yeoman services which her husband has rendered to it. (Hear, hear.) Your Excellencies and gentlemen, I now ask you to join with me in drinking to the health of Sir Henry Pollock and to that of Lady Pollock, in absentia.

SIR HENRY'S REPLY.

Sir Henry Pollock replied, and said that a few weeks ago his friends had approached him on the subject of what they described as a small dinner, consisting of about 20 or 30, which was to be given in honour of his recent Knighthood. They might imagine how gratified and flattered he felt that evening when he looked around on a gathering consisting of about 120 people, representing all sections of the Chinese community, and such a large number of distinguished Europeans, including His Excellency the Governor. This was the biggest honour he had ever received in his life, and he never expected to receive such a great honour again. The Chairman (Mr. Chow Shou-sun) had been too kind in his remarks concerning him, and he felt he had not done enough to deserve it, when he reflected upon the fact that he had been a member of the Legislative Council for 23 years, partly official and partly unofficial. He was only too conscious that he had not made sufficient use of the opportunities he had had, but he must say that the very kind reception which had been accorded him that evening would act as an incentive to him to do better work in the future than he had done in the past. (Applause.)

The chairman had been good enough to include in the toast his wife, Lady Pollock, and he had only spoken the truth when he said she had been of the greatest assistance to him in his labours. Lady Pollock had always taken the greatest interest in public matters in the Colony, and had been a very great assistance at all times, and was not least concerned in what had been described as his fighting qualities. (Laughter.) He had been in the Colony for the past 36 years, and during that time had seen very many changes.

Sir Henry then went on to give a review of the reclamation work in the Colony during the time he had been in Hongkong, and the various improvements.

He was an optimist, he said, and saw no reason why the next 36 years should not produce as much advancement as had been seen hitherto. What he attributed the great progress to be could express, in two words—Anglo-Chinese co-operation. It was the spirit of harmony which united the British and Chinese people in the Colony, which enabled wonderful improvements such as those that had come to pass. He was confident that that spirit would be continued in the future, and hoped to see greater triumphs than had been accomplished in the past. As an unofficial member of the Legislative Council he had received in the past and was still receiving the greatest assistance from his Chinese unofficial colleagues. Some people might not know it, but the Government, at all times, had been most anxious to ascertain, and so far as possible, acquire in the views of the Chinese of the Colony. The Chinese gentlemen had always shown wonderful public spirit.

Two or three years ago he had thought of going home, but when he began to consider he found that there was no place but Hongkong for him. Hongkong was his home. (Hear, hear.) He had spent the best years of his life in Hongkong and had always taken a deep interest in the public problems of the Colony, and would continue to do so, as long as he had his health and strength. (Hear, hear, and applause.) The great reception he had received that night would be a great encouragement for him to carry on with his public work. (Applause.)

MR. KOTEVALL'S SPEECH.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotevall toasted "Our Other Guests," and said: Mr. Chairman, Your Excellencies, Sir Henry Pollock, and gentlemen.—You do not need to be assured that the duty I am discharging is most grateful to me, for I feel that in the social history of this Island it has not been given to many to propose the health of so distinguished a body of men as our guests of the evening. First, in the galaxy, is our highly esteemed Governor, whose gracious presence is regarded by us, not only as a compliment to our principal guest, but also as another proof of His Excellency's goodwill towards the Chinese.

Next month His Excellency will celebrate his Silver Jubilee in the Imperial Government—25 years of service; and let us hope he will serve the Imperial Government for another 25 years before he takes his pension. (Hear, hear.)

Knowing as I do, as we all do, how assiduously His Excellency shuns publicity, I will not dwell upon his personal qualities; but I cannot forbear mentioning one special faculty of his, which is the power to see things with the "eye of the mind," a power we call intuition.

Let me give you an example. You all know that this is the sixteenth day of the month; you all know it is Tuesday; perhaps you also know that the date was chosen by His Excellency for this dinner. But you do not know, as His Excellency himself did not know when he fixed the date, that it is Sir Henry Pollock's sixty-first birthday. (Loud applause.)

What a happy choice which makes the day a double event for our esteemed and honourable friend! I can tell you that this has given much pleasure to Sir Henry, and we should accordingly be grateful to His Excellency. Though we have already drunk Sir Henry's health, I am sure that under this very special circumstance you will wish to drink once more to his long life and prosperity. (Applause.) May he live long to enjoy the esteem of the community, and to give plenty more work to the Clerk of Councils! Gentlemen, Sir Henry Pollock! (Applause.)

I will now return to my theme—"Our Other Guests." My fellow-hosts and I feel highly honoured and delighted to have with us this evening, besides His Excellency the Governor, the gallant representatives of our Army and Navy; the learned Judges of the Supreme Court; the senior officials of our splendid Civil Service; the popular Commissioners of Chinese Customs; and leading lights of the Bar, and the British business community. (Applause.) To all these gentlemen, as to His Excellency the Governor, we extend a hearty welcome; and we also thank them for having so cordially joined with us in doing honour to Hongkong's new Knight. Like Sir Henry Pollock, I am a firm believer of Anglo-Chinese co-operation, and Anglo-Chinese social amenities. I hope that in future there may be more of such friendly gatherings as this, which should be a lot of good.

In this little outpost of His Majesty's Empire, Fate has united the British and the Chinese races in a fellowship of common interests; and I feel that the welfare of that fellowship can best be promoted and fostered by social functions in which two peoples can commingle freely, and in a spirit of friendly intercourse. This smiling faces around these tables proclaim that that spirit pervades this gathering to-night. And it is in that spirit also that I now raise my glass, and call upon my fellow-hosts to drink deep and heartily with me to the good health of "Our Other Guests," associating with the toast the name of our liberal-minded and level-headed Governor, Sir Edward Stubbs. (Hear, hear.)

HIS EXCELLENCY'S TRIBUTE.

H.E. the Governor, in replying, said that an eminent Chinese statesman whom he had the honour of numbering amongst his friends, expressed, not so long ago, an aphorism—he did not know whether it was his own or that of some former Chinese sage—that the man who invented after-dinner speeches ought to be boiled in oil. (Laughter.) And that sentiment had his cordial approval. That being so, they would perhaps excuse him if he felt the task of responding to so large a number of guests was much for his powers of oratory. He would not attempt to compete with those who had preceded him—men with so much experience in the art of speech-making as Mr. Kotevall and Sir Henry Pollock.

As Mr. Kotevall had rightly said, such an occasion as this was an opportunity for showing the cordial co-operation between the Chinese and British members of the community, to which they owed so much, and he need hardly express on behalf of his fellow guests and himself the great pleasure given them in being asked to attend there that evening in honour of their friend Sir Henry Pollock. They were glad of the opportunity of seeing so many of their esteemed friends of the Chinese community.

Sir Henry Pollock had given an excellent and interesting description of the changes and improvements—perhaps not all improvements—(laughter)—which he had seen during the many years he had been in Hongkong, and he trusted in the years to come, before he attained another 64th birthday they would see even greater improvements in the Colony as a result of co-operation between the two races.

(Continued on next Column.)

SCHOOLBOY KILLED.

VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH RETURNED.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. E. W. Hamilton and a jury composed of Messrs. A. Wheeler (foreman), L. A. Osmund, and C. F. Lee, held an enquiry into the circumstances attending the death of Chan Ming Hoi, a 14-year-old Chinese schoolboy, who was killed by a motor-lorry belonging to the Hongkong Construction Company in Lai Chi Kok Road on November 11th.

Dr. W. B. A. Moore, who conducted the post-mortem examination, described the injuries of the deceased.

Tao Shun Tsun, a schoolboy, of Chau Lip village, Sham Shui Po, said that at about 9.15 a.m. on November 11th he was going along Lai Chi Kok Road on his way to school, when he saw a big motor-lorry pull in to the left to allow a Kai Tack motor-bus to pass it. At the same time witness saw a boy, whom he knew as Chan Ming Hoi, a schoolmate of his, walking on the side channel. Witness saw the lorry, in pulling in to the left, strike this boy, who was knocked down by the front wheel, the rear wheel afterwards passing over his body.

In answer to the Coroner, witness said that the deceased was not skylarking in the road.

Chan Tit Leung, a schoolmaster, brother of the deceased, said that the latter left the house at about 9.40 on November 11th, and soon afterwards a man came and told witness of the accident. Witness went out and saw his brother lying dead in the road.

Inspector A. Hutchins stated in evidence that he was present when the lorry was tested by Sergt. Hallam. It pulled up in 17 yards at a speed of 20 miles per hour, so that the brakes were in good order. Describing the road at the spot where the accident occurred, the witness said that a bus and a lorry could pass with about two feet to spare. The side channel bore no wheelmarks. There was blood in the road about three feet from the side channel.

Mr. A. McCallum, a second-class overseer in the drainage department of the P.W.D., stated that he was supervising the construction of a sewer in Lai Chi Kok Road on the morning of the fatality. He saw a motor-lorry coming along at about 9 miles an hour and a motor-bus coming in the opposite direction. There were three or four small boys skylarking in the road at the time, and one of them dashed right in front of the lorry and was knocked down. The lorry could not possibly have pulled up in time to avoid the accident. It did, in fact, pull up in about 1½ times its own length.

Lam Ng, a coolie, stated that he was riding beside the driver of the lorry at the time of the accident. In Lai Chi Kok Road he saw four Chinese boys playing under a verandah on the left side of the road, and suddenly one of them ran out, chased by the others. Witness felt the lorry give a jerk. The driver at once stopped it. When witness alighted, he saw the boy lying in the roadway. He was dead. The left rear wheel had passed over his stomach. The body was put on the lorry and driven to Sham Shui Po Police Station.

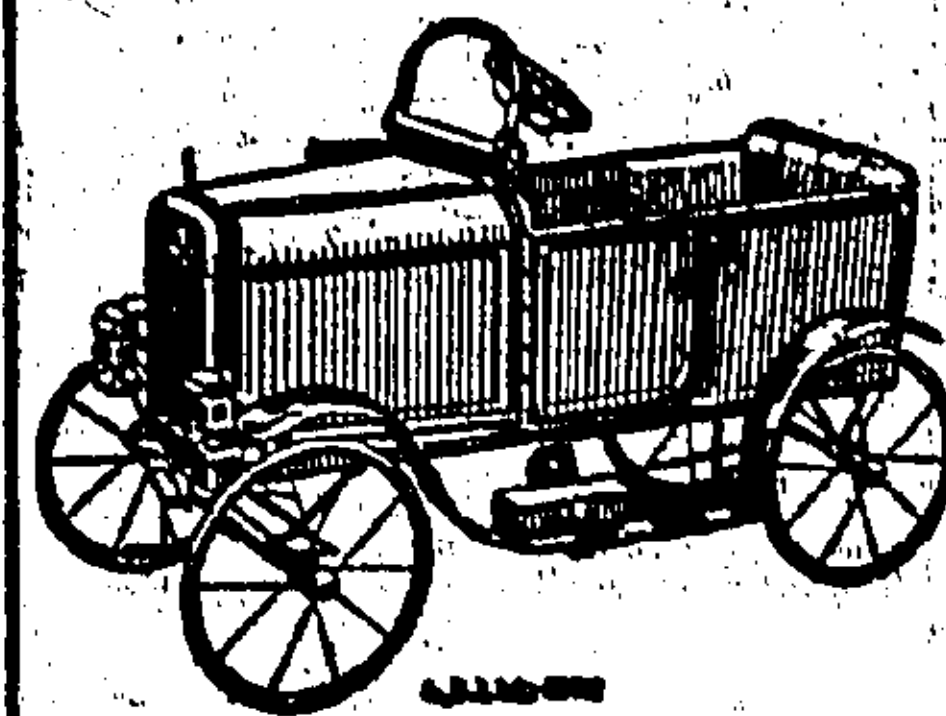
The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death with no blame attaching to anyone."

Mr. D. A. G. Alison, of the Hongkong Construction Company, who was present in Court, said that he had been instructed by the Directors to convey their deepest sympathy with the relatives of the deceased.

Sir Henry had described himself as an optimist, and when Sir Henry reached his 64th birthday they might see their military friends moved on to the mainland—(laughter)—and might see the Harbour line, now broken by the Naval Yard, extended from East to West.

They would see great improvements in the Colony in the next 25 years. They had great schemes before them, and he thought they could see their way, financially and administratively, to do a great deal in the next few years, and as Mr. Kotevall had said, it was the result of co-operation between the Chinese and British in the Colony. He had received a full measure of that co-operation from his colleagues in the Legislative Council, both European and Chinese. That spirit of co-operation was one of the great factors in the prosperity of Hongkong, in the development of which they were all proud. They did their best for it and hoped for the best.

In concluding, His Excellency again expressed the thanks of the guests to the Chinese community who had given them this opportunity to be present to do honour to Sir Henry Pollock.



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Hongkong, 12th May, 1924. [774]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 17TH, 1924.

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS.

The development of this Colony has been so rapid, and the growth of the population so much greater than was ever thought possible, that it is not surprising that the subject of public transport has become one of peculiar difficulty. The advent of motor-cars has compelled the Government to deal, in a general way, with the regulation of street traffic, and we have nothing but praise for the manner in which the police have carried out the comparatively new duties which have been thrust upon them. There are other difficulties to be overcome, as, for example, those connected with the steep incline called Garden Road. No doubt this particular artery of traffic has received the earnest attention of the Government, and if we suggest that further improvements are urgently needed, we do not suppose, for an instant, that numerous ideas have not been put forward, or that they have been shelved because of any desire to shirk finding a solution of a difficult problem. Conscious of the probability that what we are about to propose has already received official consideration we venture to put on record one or two small details which may, at any rate, stimulate discussion and form a basis for others to build upon, so that real improvements may follow. First of all, let us take the admittedly dangerous corner at the foot of the hill where the Indian policeman now stands as a sort of buffer between the motor-cars, the tram-cars, the chairs,

the rickshas, and the often incredibly stupid pedestrians. We should like to see a more funnel-shaped appearance given to the entrance to Garden Road. By taking away a not very great area from the Murray Parade Ground and the military land on the other side of Garden Road, a clearer view of the traffic running almost due East and West could be obtained by drivers coming down Garden Road. While we are always in favour of providing as much shade and shelter from the sun's rays as is possible, we think that the trees along Garden Road will have to be sacrificed for the sake of "Safety First." Other trees, however, might be planted in less dangerous places. If properly selected and cared for, trees grow quite quickly in this Colony.

Incidentally, we may remark that lamp-posts, telephone poles, etc., are a source of danger in some of the roads in Hongkong, particularly in Caine Road and Robinson Road. But the great trouble in the traffic problem is the narrowness of the roads on the higher levels. While much has been done during the past four or five years to make traffic safer on these roads, a great deal still remains to be done. The constant stream of motor traffic up and down Garden Road has made it urgently necessary that this road should be widened, especially near the Cathedral and the Peak Tramway Station. There should also be more accommodation for "parking" cars near that terminus. Very great alterations are said to be contemplated in that vicinity in the future, but minor improvements might be carried out at once. Trees, shrubs and ferns may have to be sacrificed in these minor changes. The area of the Botanic Gardens, and even of Government House grounds, may need to be very slightly reduced—indeed inappreciably—but "Safety First" must be the slogan. Traffic congestion is certain to increase rapidly and we need to be prepared for the future. Some figures, recently published, concerning London traffic have their moral for Hongkong. In 1870 the London General Omnibus Company carried 40 million passengers; last year the same company carried the amazing figure of 1,040 million passengers. In the year 1923 the total number of passengers carried by all methods of public transport in London, other than taxi-cabs, was 2,600 millions, and that was exclusive of the suburban passengers brought into London by the main line railways. Thus, the total of passengers carried in 1923 in London was nearly 1,000 million more than the estimated total inhabitants of the world. These figures illustrate the astounding growth of the travel habit. Constant growth is evident even in Hongkong, and we should have immediate minor road improvements and also a carefully prepared plan for the future, which should be publicly discussed in the Legislative Council and freely criticised by the general public before its adoption. While there is certain to be, as the years pass, a very great increase in the number of private and hired motor-cars in use in the Colony, these road improvements are necessary not entirely in their interests but just as much, and even more, in the interests of the greater number of people who will never be able to afford such means of transport. It has to be recognised that the travel habit is growing, and no time should be lost by our road authorities in tackling the problems this growing tendency creates.

A report has been made to the Police to the effect that the accountant of the Chauveau's Guild, at No. 57, Connaught Road has absconded with Guild Funds amounting to \$150.

A report has reached Hongkong that a number of outlaws have been executed in the area of Chinese territory under the control of General Chan Kwing Ming, on their being convicted of having participated in piracies on the steamships *Hydrangea*, *Sunning*, and *Wah Sun*.

Two trading junk masters were fined \$5, or in default five days by Lieut. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Magistracy yesterday morning, on charges of mooring ashore.

For dredging, in the man-of-war anchorage, three boatwomen, who were charged at the Marine Magistracy yesterday morning, were each fined \$10, with the alternative of ten days' imprisonment.

It is reported that a quantity of hay stored in the Dairy Farm depot at Telegraph Bay has been destroyed by fire, but the concrete building in which the hay was stocked was not damaged to any great extent.

Yesterday's cable giving the selected English cricket team for the First Test, contained the name of "Hearne" twice. It is pointed out that Hendren, the popular Middlesex batsman, is obviously intended in one instance.

The report of the Medical Officer of Health for last week shows that 5 cases of typhoid were notified (4 Chinese, 1 Indian). There were four deaths from this disease, one death from diphtheria and one from cerebro-spinal fever.

An interesting and instructive lecture on the poet Browning was given in the great hall of St. John's Cathedral last night by Professor Smith of Hongkong University under the auspices of the Church of England Men's Society.

The V.R.C. are staging an Art Exhibition in aid of the Hongkong Benevolent Society on Thursday and Friday, December 18th and 19th. Admission, from 2.30 to 6.30 p.m. each day, will be free. On Friday a cabaret dance and Fancy Dress Carnival are announced, and should both prove very popular.

Lieut. Comdr. R. D. King-Harman, a member of a well-known Irish family, has been appointed to the light cruiser *Carleton* on the China Station, and will join her from the *Weymouth*, which left Southampton on November 4th for Hongkong, with a new crew for the light cruiser *Despatch*. Lieut. A. R. Farquhar will return home by the *Weymouth* and Lieut. O. O. Wrey, O.B.E., will join the *Despatch*, temporarily, on her re-commissioning.

THE LATE MR. A. G. STEPHEN'S ESTATE.

The Hon. Mr. Alexander Gordon Stephen, chief manager, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, and a member of the Executive Council of Hongkong, left personal estate in Great Britain valued at £73,456.

THE LATE MR. HECTOR SASSOON'S ESTATE.

The latest mail papers contain further details of the will of the late Mr. Hector William Sassoon, of Tantalum, The Peak, Hongkong, and of Baker Street, London, W., a director of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd., merchants, of St. Helen's Place, E.C., who died in London on November 24th, 1923. The deceased left property in Hongkong valued at \$8,133,800, and in England at \$2,667. At the current rate of exchange this is equivalent to £989,527, of which £268,860 is abroad. The testator left:—Five lakhs of rupees (at current value about £39,980) upon trust for investment and to distribute the income in such countries, as such times, and upon such conditions as his trustees in their absolute discretion shall consider advisable in assisting persons (male or female) found guilty for the first time of an offence or offences against the law of the land where they were convicted, and in assisting unmarried mothers and illegitimate children, and generally in assisting and providing for the welfare of the children. His share in E. D. Sassoon & Co. (Limited), in the Hongkong Trust Corporation (Limited), and in the Bombay Trust Corporation (Limited), subject to certain charges, he left to his brother, Ellice Victor Sassoon. To his wife he left his household and personal effects, consumable stores, and 20 lakhs of rupees absolutely, and the income for life from 65 lakhs of rupees, with remainder to his residuary estate.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

During the month of October, the following appointments were made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Government service in Hongkong:—

Police Probationer.—Mr. W. L. B. Sparrow.

Assistant Mistress.—Miss F. M. Hughes.

Kindergarten Mistress.—Miss A. G. Fraser.

Nursing Sister.—Miss F. M. Huxtable.

Medical Officer.—Lieut. I. Newton M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD. MEMBERS WELCOME DR. J. C. MACGOWAN.

The Hongkong Sanitary Board had very little business of public interest before them yesterday afternoon. In the absence of the Chairman (Mr. D. W. Trautman), the Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy (Director of Public Works) presided, and the following members were present: Dr. V. W. Koch, Dr. J. C. MacGowan, Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipston (Secretary) and Mr. D. Davies (Assistant Secretary).

The Chairman read a letter from the Government relative to the election of Dr. MacGowan to the Board, and said he was sure they would all join with him in welcoming Dr. MacGowan as a member of the Board.

The Chairman referred to item No. 2 on the agenda, concerning a letter from the Government relative to the constitution and powers of the Board. This matter, he said, was brought up by Dr. Ozorio, who had ceased to be a member of the Board, and with their approval, in the absence of the President, he proposed that the item be postponed. The Board agreed.

Another item was the proposed alterations in the arrangement of stalls in Bowring Street (Kun Chung) Market. The Hon. Mr. Cressy pointed out that the proposed alterations were for more meat stalls and less stalls for vegetables. The Chairman had gone very carefully into the matter, and recommended the acceptance of the new arrangement. The Board sanctioned the proposals.

BISHOP DUPPUY'S MARRIAGE.

In a report of the marriage, which took place on November 13th at St. Mark's Church, Woodcote, Purley, of the Bishop of Hongkong (the Right Rev. C. R. Duppy), son of the late Mr. C. Duppy and of Mrs. Duppy, Harrogate, to Miss Baker-Multon, daughter of Mr. H. Baker-Multon, of Broomhill, Woodcote, Purley, it is mentioned that the bride was given away by her father, and was attended by the Misses Dorothy and Mary Burroughs (nieces of bride) and Miss Heather Alino (niece of bridegroom). The Bishop of Peterborough, who gave the address, Canon Holland, the Rev. H. H. Woodhouse, and the Rev. E. A. Shattock, vicar of the parish, officiated, and the Rev. P. W. Guinness, D.S.O., M.C., was best man. The church was beautifully decorated with white chrysanthemums, palms, and ferns. A large congregation was present, and a reception was held in St. Mark's Hall after the ceremony.

OBITUARY.

MR. E. T. ARNOLD.

Mr. E. T. Arnold, Chief Engineer of the *s.s. Leamington*, died at the Matilda Hospital on Monday, from dropsy. Mr. Arnold, who leaves a wife in Hongkong and a son in business in Sumatra, was very popular in the Colony, and his death will be regretted by a large number of friends.

MR. G. G. HOPPELIER.

By the death of Mr. G. G. Hoppehier, announced in our yesterday's issue, the Shamien losses a well known and highly respected member of the community. He had spent about thirty years in China, engaged in the silk trade. He was originally with the firm of Carlowitz & Co., but subsequently joined the firm of Villa Bros. He had been ill for some little time before his death. A large number of foreign and Chinese friends attended the funeral on Monday to pay a last tribute of respect. The late Mr. Hoppehier, who was 57 years of age, was not married.

CANTON NEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

THE FIRE-FIGHTING SERVICE.

The unusually large number of fires in Canton this winter has called for better fire-fighting service, and the Municipal authorities are proposing to add four more companies to the present strength. This will involve an appropriation of \$22,500 annually.

THE WUCHOW FIRE.

The Garrison Commissioner at Wuchow, Kwangsi, where 1,700 houses were destroyed by fire on December 1st and more than 7,000 persons rendered homeless, has cancelled the order allowing free import of provisions in that port. At first it was feared that the disaster which caused the burning out of many provision stores would bring about a food shortage, but subsequent relief measures and on-rushing of food supplies from inland and outside ports have restored normal conditions.

The Luon Yick and other insurance companies in Canton, which have been forced to suspend business as a result of the destruction of property, on October 15th, are now unable to get their \$50,000 guarantee deposits back from the local authorities, who are demanding a month's notice and raising other technical obligations. The law requires that a company shall deposit security before commencing business, but provides that the deposit will be refunded upon suspension of business.

CABLES.

EARLIER CABLES.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS.
EGYPT, THE SUDAN, AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, December 15th.
In the House of Commons, the debate on the Address was resumed.

Mr. Trevelyan, who attacked the Government's policy towards Egypt and Russia, asked whether Egypt was now really independent, and what the Government proposed to do with regard to Russia, with whom other countries were now making commercial agreements.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that his "conversations" with Premier Herriot and Premier Mussolini were conducted in the true spirit of the League of Nations in establishing mutual relations of trust and confidence. He emphasised that the "conversations" would come as close to an agreement as possible, but never at the expense of those who were not there. He had heard much of the foreign point of view on the Geneva Protocol, but he had not been able to express any opinion on the Protocol on behalf of the Government, because the first Cabinet meeting on the subject was only held on the day of his departure.

Mr. Chamberlain said that the inter-Ally debts were not discussed, and he did not pretend that the "conversations" had decided these great issues. They had not sought to make any new treaties or come to fresh decisions, but they had eliminated some small matters which would have been points of friction, if they had not reached agreement to recognise the largeness of their common interests throughout the world and resolve each to do his best to prevent small differences, which must arise occasionally, from impeding their co-operation in the greater common interests.

Referring to Mr. Trevelyan's speech, Mr. Chamberlain said that he had had to come to the House of Commons to hear a really anti-British declaration; he had received from foreign statesmen many congratulations on the British attitude in the Egyptian crisis.

Mr. Chamberlain said that in the Sudan Great Britain must have authority to fulfil her obligations, but in Egypt all Great Britain desired was that the Egyptian Government should do their duty. If they are willing to do that, then they will find no better and firmer and more loyal friends, than the British Government and people. (Ministerial cheers.) The Government did not desire to interfere in the independence of Egypt, but they required the Egyptian Government to work with and not against us, and accept loyally and frankly as a basis of independence the conditions attached to its grant. If we have to deal with a friendly Egyptian Government, loyal to the conditions upon which our co-operation is based, we invite them to join in an inquiry regarding what water is available for the Sudan after making full allowance for Egypt, and we propose a neutral chairman for a commission, upon which Egypt and the Sudan will be represented.

Mr. Chamberlain said he did not think that the Egyptian question in its present stage could come before the League of Nations. He pointed out the ill effects that would ensue in the Sudan from the suggested application of a League mandate of administration.

ZINOVIEFF LETTER.
Mr. Chamberlain mentioned that the Zinovieff letter was confirmed by four entirely independent trustworthy sources, and he said he did not think it opportune to resume negotiations with the Soviet at present.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO REFUSE EXPORT LICENCES.

In the House of Commons, Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister said that licences were issued during the past year for the export of war material, including 600 Vickers' machine-guns, to the Soviet Government. The bulk of these guns had been shipped in the spring and summer. The Government did not intend to issue licences for the export of war material to this destination.

Mr. Chamberlain, fresh from the meeting of the League Council, voiced his strong confidence in the future of the League.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald pressed the Government to afford members of Parliament a discussion of the Protocol before consulting the Dominions, and he urged the Chancellor to impress upon the Allies at the forthcoming Finance Conference that it was necessary that we should ease taxpayers of the burden resulting from their non-payment of their debt.

Mr. Bonsonby moved a Labour amendment expressing regret at the Government's policy as regards Egypt and Russia.

Mr. Pongonby's amendment was rejected by 363 votes to 132.

LATEST CABLES.
THE MOROCCAN TANGLE.
INTERNATIONAL COMPLICATIONS FEARED.

LONDON, December 15th.
The sudden and drastic tightening of the Spanish censorship, a symptom of the seriousness of the situation in Morocco, following upon the reported rising of the Anjera tribes between Tetuan and Tangier, is disturbing the French diplomatic officials, who, while confident of their ability to defend the Tangier zone against a possible attack, apprehend international entanglements, owing to the dissatisfaction of several countries, especially Italy, with the recent Tangier convention.

PARIS, December 15th.
The newspapers here comment in most anxious terms, and declare that Paris must maintain constant contact with Madrid, and precautions be taken to prevent the incursion of Abdul Krim's Rifian forces into Tangier. Several journals think that Great Britain is likely to side with Italy, but *L'Humanite* urges the importance of joint Anglo-French action, on account of the reaction of the affair on Islam.

EARLIER CABLES.
FRANCE'S INTEREST.

PARIS, December 15th.
It is officially stated that the report that France had sent a Note to Spain in regard to Morocco is incorrect, but that the French Charge d'Affaires at Madrid was instructed to ascertain the Director's views on the situation created by the Spanish evacuation and to enquire Spain's intentions in the future is confirmed.

The London and Paris Cabinets are keeping in close touch in regard to events in Morocco.

LATEST CABLES.
SOVIET PROTEST TO AMERICA.
A TRIVIAL INCIDENT INVESTED WITH ENORMOUS IMPORTANCE.

MOSCOW, December 15th.
M. Tchitcherine has strongly protested to the United States against the "lawless acts of American officials," following a discovery on the Tehukotak peninsula of a brass plate fixed to a rock by a party from an American cruiser with an inscription threatening Soviet citizens who interfered with it. M. Tchitcherine gives warning that a repetition of such a violation of Soviet rights will be sternly repressed.

FRENCH TRADE FIGURES.
AN ALL-ROUND INCREASE SHOWN IN RETURNS.

LONDON, December 15th.
French imports for the first eleven months of 1924 amount to 36,014 million francs and 32 million tons, compared with 25,754 million francs and 50 million tons for the corresponding period for 1923. The exports amount to 37,412 million francs and 27 million tons, compared with 27,291 million francs and 22 million tons for the same period in 1923. The figures are approximately equal.

EARLIER CABLES.
PRINCE GEORGE TO VISIT CHINA.

LONDON, December 15th.
On the occasion of the admission of H.R.H. Prince George to the freedom of the Mercers' Company of London, to-day, the Master of the Company announced that Prince George was sailing at the end of January for China and the Far East.

ANGLO-IRISH TREATY.

THE LEAGUE AND INTER-EMPIRE.

GENEVA, December 15th.
The League of Nations Secretariat have issued the text of a letter from the British Foreign Office, dated November 27th, in connection with the registration of the Anglo-Irish Treaty of December, 1921, at the Free State Government's request.

SQUASH RACQUETS.
AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, December 15th.
At the Bath Club, in the final of the amateur squash racquets championship, W. MacPherson (Queen's Club) defeated Captain J. Tomkinson (Bath Club) by 17/14, 8/15 and 15/7.

INTER-VARSITY MATCH.
At Queen's Club, the inter-Varsity squash racquets match between Cambridge and Oxford resulted in a win for the former by six matches to two.

EARLIER CABLES.
FOOTBALL.
LONDON CHALLENGE CUP.

LONDON, December 15th.
In the final of the London Challenge Cup competition, West Ham defeated Clapton Orient by 2 goals to 1.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.
ENGLISH CUP DRAW.

LONDON, December 15th.
The draw for the first round of the Football Association Challenge Cup, competition proper, resulted as follows:
Leicester v. Stoke.
Hull v. Wolverhampton.
Aston Villa v. Port Vale.
Swansea v. Plymouth.
The Wednesday v. Manchester United.
Derby County v. Bradford City.
Bradford v. Middlesbrough.
Swindon v. Fulham.
West Ham v. Arsenal.
Preston N.E. v. Manchester City.
West Bromwich Albion v. Luton.
Birmingham v. Chelsea.
Notts Forest v. Clapton Orient.
Doncaster v. Norwich.
Sheffield U. v. Corinthians.
Liverpool v. Leeds.
Aberdeen v. S. Portmouth.
Coventry v. Notts County.
Crystal Palace v. South Shields.
Millwall v. Barnsley.
Bury v. Sunderland.
Watford v. Brighton.
Bolton v. Huddersfield.
Blackburn v. Oldham.
Cardiff v. Darlington.
Southampton v. Exeter City.
Newcastle v. Huddersfield.
Tottenham Hotspur v. Northampton.
Everton v. Burnley.
Blackpool v. Gillingham or Barrow.
Bristol Rovers or Weymouth v. Bristol City.
Queen's Park Rangers or Charlton v. Stockport.
Matches to be played on January 10th.

BOXING.
FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, December 15th.
At the National Sporting Club, in a 20 round contest for the featherweight championship of Great Britain, George McKenzie of Leith (holder), gained the decision on points over Harry Leach of Doncaster.

LONDON, December 15th.
The fight was fast and spirited throughout. Leach started well, getting home several smashing right leads to the jaw. McKenzie got up immediately but was again shaken with a right to the jaw before the end of the round. After that McKenzie improved, using left and right hooks and uppercuts, and led on points at the half-way stage. Towards the end Leach spurted splendidly but failed to make up the leeway, McKenzie deservedly receiving the verdict. Leach reaches his nineteenth birthday to-morrow.

GERMAN CABINET.

BERLIN, December 15th.
President Ebert has accepted Herr Marx's formal resignation of the Cabinet, and he has requested him to continue in office pending the formation of a new Cabinet.

LATEST CABLES.
[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

BRITAIN PAYS' CASH; CHINESE BONDS BREAK.

NEW YORK, December 15th.
Great Britain yesterday paid the half-yearly instalment of \$91,000,000 of her Debt for the first time in cash instead of Liberty Bonds, as the latter are now at a premium.
On the Stock Exchange the Chinese Hukuang Railway 5 per cent. bonds broke six points, owing to Messrs. Morgan's announcement that the half-yearly coupons were not paid, but later recovered two points when an announcement added that inasmuch as there had been delays in payment in the past it was hoped funds would be forthcoming later.

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR WOODROW WILSON.

WASHINGTON, December 15th.
Joint Congressional memorial services for the late Dr. Woodrow Wilson (ex-President of the United States) were held in the chamber of the House of Representatives at which Dr. Edwin Alderman, President of the University of Virginia, eloquently defended Wilson's statesmanship, saying that his ambition to serve his country was as keen as Cromwell's.

EARLIER CABLES.
HUGE AMERICAN AIRSHIP.

WASHINGTON, December 15th.
The Navy air experts have advised Congress of plans for a 6,000,000 cubic foot airship, compared with the newly ordered British 5,000,000 ships.
The new ship will carry 22 tons, will be 785 feet long and 120 feet in diameter, and will be of 3,500 horse-power, 154 tons gross lifting capacity, and will have a cruising radius of 7,150 nautical miles, which is the highest. It is estimated to cost \$4,000,000.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH RAFTER'S AGENCY.]

THE CHINESE INDEMNITY.

GOVERNMENT'S VAGUE PROPOSALS FOR EXPENDITURE.

LONDON, December 15th.
In connection with the action of the Foreign Office in removing Lowes Dickenson and Bertrand Russell from the prospective Advisory Committee on the expenditure of the China Indemnity, the *Manchester Guardian's* London correspondent understands that the Government is inclined to favour the expenditure of the Indemnity on some kind of technical education in China, on a railway in the Yangtze region, and on missionary work.

The Government has introduced a Bill dealing with the matter, which is a modification of the late Government's Bill, stating more vaguely the purposes to which the money will be devoted. However, the Bill is not yet printed, and the Government has time to change its mind before it approaches the second reading.

HOLLAND AND SINGAPORE.

SOME DIFFERENCE EXPRESSED BY OFFICIALS.

LONDON, December 15th.
Holland is watching with the greatest interest the resumption of the Singapore Dock Scheme, but a Dutch authority emphatically denies, says the *Manchester Guardian's* London correspondent, that Dutch schemes for the defence of the Dutch Indies will be affected thereby.
He states that the Dutch Government do not intend to enter into conversations with the British Government on the matter. The defence of her neutrality is stated to be the only object which Dutch policy can pursue.

JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON.

TOKYO, December 15th.
Mr. Tsuneo Matsudaira, vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs has been appointed Ambassador to Washington.

JAPAN AND THE AMERICAN NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

TOKYO, December 15th.
Ascribing the outcry in Japan against the American naval manoeuvres to discussion by those not sufficiently familiar with the facts, General Itami, Chief of the Intelligence Bureau of the General Staff, in an interview asserted that Japan officially is totally unconcerned over the manoeuvres, which are purely an American concern.

NEW JAPANESE CONSUL FOR HONGKONG.

TOKYO, December 15th.
Mr. Gion Murakami has been appointed Consul-General at Hongkong.

TRADE MARK REGISTRATION.

PEKING, December 15th.
The Ministry of Commerce has sanctioned a further extension of the period for the registration of trade marks for six months, namely, from January 1st to June 30th, 1925.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

DR. SCHURMAN RETURNS.

SHANGHAI, December 15th.
The American Minister, Dr. J. G. Schurman, who has returned to China from his vacation in the United States, is proceeding to Peking on Thursday morning.

MADAME CHI HSIEH YUAN.

SHANGHAI, December 15th.
Madame Chi Hsieh Yuan has arrived at Shanghai from Nanking.

RECEPTION TO SIR ROBERT HO TUNG.

SHANGHAI, December 15th.
Sir Robert Ho Tung was entertained at a reception by the Shanghai Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

TSAO KUN'S TREASURER EXECUTED.

PEKING, December 15th.

"Li Yen Ching," Tsao Kun's private treasurer, who was escorted by a military detachment to Tienchao near the Temple of Heaven, this morning, where he was shot, was reported immediately after Feng Yu Hsiang's coup on October 23rd to have been executed, but he was merely arrested, remaining in close captivity until a fortnight ago, when he was taken over by the Ministry of War. Inquiries fail to reveal any form of trial, it being merely asserted that the order for the execution was given by the War Ministry.

During the imprisonment Li was in the hands of Feng Yu Hsiang's people, and it was frequently rumored that the latter had made demands upon Li for \$5,000,000.

Li Yen Ching's case is not unlike that of Tsao Jui's inasmuch that he was a sinister figure, and frequently was described as Tsao Kun's evil genius and probably the most corrupt figure in the Chihli group, but his severe punishment and the method of its being carried out emphasises the fact that in the present transition period, in which the Government is functioning without a constitution, high officials are a law unto themselves.

PEKING NOTES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

MARSHAL CHANG'S SUDDEN EXIT.

PEKING, December, 1924.
Truly we never know what a day will bring forth in this city. As I have remarked before, we get a fresh thrill almost every day. Judge of our surprise on Tuesday morning to learn that during the night Marshal Chang Tso-lien and the bulk of the troops he had brought with him had departed from Peking. The news was almost stunning. To those with any knowledge at all it came as a bolt from the blue, for it meant, in common parlance, that we were not out of the wood yet.

Half-a-dozen different explanations of the sudden and dramatic exit were forthcoming, but perhaps the most feasible is that which credits Marshal Chang with the discovery that he was in a pocket, and that he was in danger of being cut off in Peking. This possible danger could only come from the numerically greater but still only nominal allegiance to Feng Yu-hsiang notwithstanding his resignation or the fact that he was living in seclusion at the Western Hills. The fact that Feng's men still "boss the show" in Peking proves that they are determined not to relinquish their hold here until arrangements satisfactory to them are made. The plot which I mentioned in my last writing is believed to be a dominating thought in the minds of the Feng party, and if Chang is to frustrate it he must have more troops here.

Another explanation offered is that Chang Tso-lien was vexed at the delay in opening the Conference, and was bored at the enforced inaction, but most people are inclined to believe that it was the military situation which determined Chang's sudden departure. Considerable anxiety was felt in the city until it was learned that Chang had safely reached Tientsin, as it was feared that there might have been a clash at Langfang, where one of Feng's divisions is stationed. Whatever be the explanation of Chang's departure, it was carried out with surprising secrecy. Only the Chief Executive and the Dean of the Diplomatic Body are believed to have been aware of the War Lord's intention. His own advisers did not know of it until he had gone. Then they followed by the train leaving at noon. On Monday the Chairman of the *Far Eastern Times* issued invitations to foreign correspondents to a dinner on Wednesday evening at the Astor Hotel in order to meet five Manchurian generals. Next day it was called off.

It is satisfactory to report that communications are improving, but travel is still attended with delays due to two military inspections between here and Tientsin.

THE EX-EMPEROR.

Interest in the Manchu Emperor is still very keen. Mr. Fu Yi was joined by his consorts on Tuesday evening. They had previously refused to leave Prince Chun's residence (fearing a trap) until they received a message from Fu Yi himself, which was delivered by a secretary from the Japanese Legation. It is, perhaps, amusing to see detectives watching the Legation, but it is significant that the Emperor's tutor, Mr. B. F. Johnston, who has been the subject of attacks in the vernacular papers for his part in deeming it wise to leave his residence in the North City and become the guest of the British Minister. Chinese declare that the Emperor must have had good grounds for alarm when he took the course which he did, and their own apprehensions are heightened accordingly.

MALICIOUS PROSECUTION CLAIM DISMISSED.

JUDGMENT FOR DEFENDANTS.

The case in which \$1,000 was claimed as compensation for alleged malicious prosecution at the Central Magistracy by a foreman fitter employed at the Kowloon Dock, was concluded in the Summary Court yesterday, before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz), who gave judgment against plaintiff.

The case was that plaintiff had acted as a go-between for another man who wanted a concubine, but who, for certain reasons, refused to take the girl. Plaintiff was prosecuted in August last for obtaining money by intimidation, but the case was dismissed.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. N. I. Brewer, and defendants (the mistress of the girl and her husband) by Mr. M. M. Watson.

When the hearing was resumed, Mr. Watson submitted that there was no case to answer.

His Lordship pointed out that they had the information in which the second defendant declared that accused had retained the jewellery and clothing.

Mr. Watson: Which is perfectly true, my Lord. The plaintiff has not proved a single word of his statement of claim.

His Lordship: I am inclined to think you are right, but I take it you have a good defence on its merits, which you can take shortly.

In reply to a question by His Lordship, Mr. Watson said: There is no proof of malice.

His Lordship: Malice is a state of mind. It cannot be proved. The case has not been opened as it should have been. The case as it stands is certainly one which I should put before a jury, and even if I decided that, on the writ, you have no case to answer, plaintiff could issue a fresh one.

Mr. Watson: I don't mind that a bit.

His Lordship: I think it better to take the facts of the case. I don't want two trials.

After evidence had been given by the girl's mistress, and the latter's husband, an amah was called who stated that plaintiff used threats in order to get his money returned. She was present at the time in the Peking Hotel.

The girl then gave evidence, and said that a certain paper was put before her and plaintiff forced her to stamp her finger-print on it. She did not know that it was a confession. At different times they all threatened her.

His Lordship gave judgment for defendants with costs and \$150 on a counter-claim.

BOLSHEVIST METHODS IN PEKING.

DISMISSAL OF PROFESSOR OF RUSSIAN COLLEGE IN PEKING.

Reuter's correspondent at Peking, writing on the 15th inst., said:—

It seems probable that Marshal Tuan knows nothing yet of the arbitrary and harsh dismissal of Mr. P. Brandt, head of the Russian College in Peking. This college is under the control of the Waikiao, and certain funds for its maintenance are drawn annually from the Chinese Eastern Railway. One of the last acts of Dr. C. T. Wang was to give Mr. Brandt a month's notice of dismissal. It appears that a request was made to Mr. Karakhan, for the usual allotment of funds for the college, and provision of the funds was made conditional upon the dismissal of Mr. Brandt.

These details have been common knowledge in Peking for some time, but the Press generally did not intend to give publicity to the matter until the facts had been drawn to the attention of Marshal Tuan. One paper, apparently not knowing of the arrangement to withhold publicity for the present, gave out a fair statement of the case this morning, and Reuter's Agency has been requested by other papers to give any additional particulars available in order to show that public opinion generally has been very much excited over the matter, and that other papers endorse the remarks of the *North China Standard*.

Mr. Brandt has been a faithful and highly efficient servant of the Chinese Government for twenty-two years. For a portion of that period he was an adviser of the Foreign Office. He is well-known and most highly respected by all Chinese. His dismissal was evidently carried out by Dr. C. T. Wang as a matter of diplomatic expediency. No fault has been found with him or his work, and it is the opinion of most foreigners and Chinese that the Chinese Government should not sacrifice him to its diplomacy without adequate compensation.

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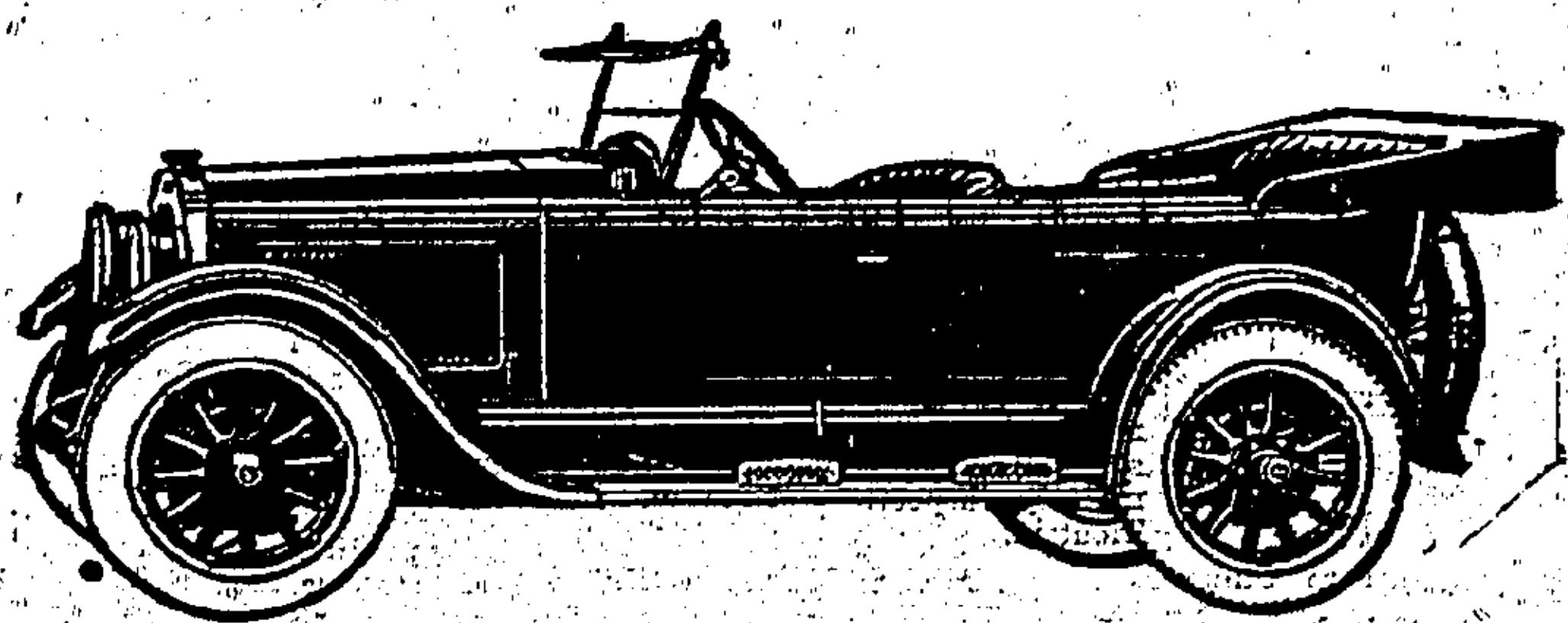
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BOOK TITLES.

WHAT AUTHORS OWE TO THE BIBLE.

According to a London weekly, one of the main troubles that beset the writer of fiction is selection of a suitable title. It is generally recognised that a bad title may spoil a good book. Had Thackeray, for instance, called "Vanity Fair" "Pencil Sketches of English Society," as was his original intention, the fate of that masterpiece might have been entirely different.

The Bible has proved a welcome storehouse to the novelist in need of a title, and a complete list of the novel titles which have been taken from the pages of Holy Writ would probably fill pages. Below are some of the better known of them, with the reference attached.

"Many Inventions," Ecclesiastes vii., 20.—Burdett Kipling.
"The Years that the Locust Hath Eaten," Joel ii., 25.—Annie E. Holdsworth.
"A Goodly Heritage," Psalm xvi., 6.
"Unto Seventy Times Seven," Matthew, xviii., 22.—L. G. Moberley.
"A Fountain Sealed," Song of Solomon iv., 12.—Sir Walter Besant.
"A Daughter of Heth," Genesis xxvii., 46.—William Black.
"Whosoever Shall Offend," Mark ix., 42.—Francis Marion Crawford.
"And Five Were Foolish," Matthew xxv., 2.—Dorothy Yates.
"The Tents of Kedar," Psalm xxx., 5.—H. Seton Merriman.
"The Tents of Shem," Genesis ix., 27.—Grant Allen.
"Simon called Peter," Matthew iv., 18.
"The Mother of All Living," Genesis iii., 20.—Robert Karle.
"None other Gods," Exodus xx., 3.
"By What Authority?" Mark xi., 28.—Robert Hugh Benson.
"He Fell Among Thieves," Luke x., 30.—David Christie Murray.
"A Dinner of Herbs," Proverbs xv., 17.—W. J. Locke.
"Cometh Up as a Flower," Job xiv., 2.—Rhoda Broughton.
"The Way of an Eagle," Proverbs xxx., 19.—Ethel M. Dell.
"A Stranger Within the Gates," Deuteronomy v., 14.—F. J. Cox.
"This—My Son," Luke xv., 24.—Rene Bazin.
"A Spirit in Prison," 1 Peter iii., 19.—Robert Hichins.
"Into the Highways and Hedges," Luke vii., 23.—F. F. Montresor.
"In Pastures Green," Psalm xxiii., 2.—Charles Gibbons.
"A Clean Heart," Psalm li., 10.
"This Freedom," Acts xxii., 28.—A. S. M. Hutchinson.
"The Woman Thou Gavest Me," Genesis iii., 12.—Sir Hall Caine.
"A Grape from a Thorn," Matthew vii., 18.—James Payl.
"On the Face of the Waters," Genesis i., 2.—Flora Annie Steel.
"Unto the Third Generation," Exodus xx., 3.—M. P. Shiel.
"A Thief in the Night," 1 Thessalonians v., 2.—E. W. Hornung.
"The Wages of Sin," Romans vi., 23.—Lucas Malet.
"One Another's Burdens," Galatians vi., 2.—Mary E. Mann.
"Vengeance is Mine," Romans xii., 19.—Andrew Balfour.
"The Book of Common Prayer has furnished the title for at least one popular novel—"All Sorts and Conditions of Men," by the late Sir Walter Besant.

A CENOTAPH IN MUSIC.

"A World's Requiem," the monumental work by John Foulds, which is described as a cenotaph in sound, has been adopted officially by the British Legion as the British tribute in music to the memory of the glorious dead. It is described as a work of supreme devotional value, is of course non-sectarian, and is easily adaptable for rendering on a large or a small scale. Efforts are being made to ensure its performance in all parts of Great Britain, and representations are being made to organists, choirmasters, and choral societies to the end that in the future every town and township shall render the work as part of the solemn observance of Armistice-day.

CINEMA NOTES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

To-night and to-morrow Long Tack Sam and his troupe of acrobats give their last bill at the Queen's Theatre at the 9.15 p.m. performance each evening. Constance Talmadge's latest First National attraction "Polly of the Folies," which is shown at the Queen's Theatre at 5.15 p.m., is said to be the brightest and liveliest comedy drama the young star has contributed to the screen.

THE WORLD THEATRE.

The management of the World Theatre announces the biggest boxing show ever seen here in nine full reels of thrills and excitement. It will have four days' run commencing to-day. They are the films of Dempsey v. Gibbons (15 rounds), and Firpo v. Wills (12 rounds). When Harry Wills and Luis Firpo fought a sensational twelve-round bout at Jersey on Sept. 12th, 1915, thousands of people were turned out from Boyle's famous 80 acres stadium. Dempsey v. Gibbons will bring the crowd anywhere they light and anywhere they are shown. The cinema brings you to the ring-side and shows two of the world's greatest bouts.

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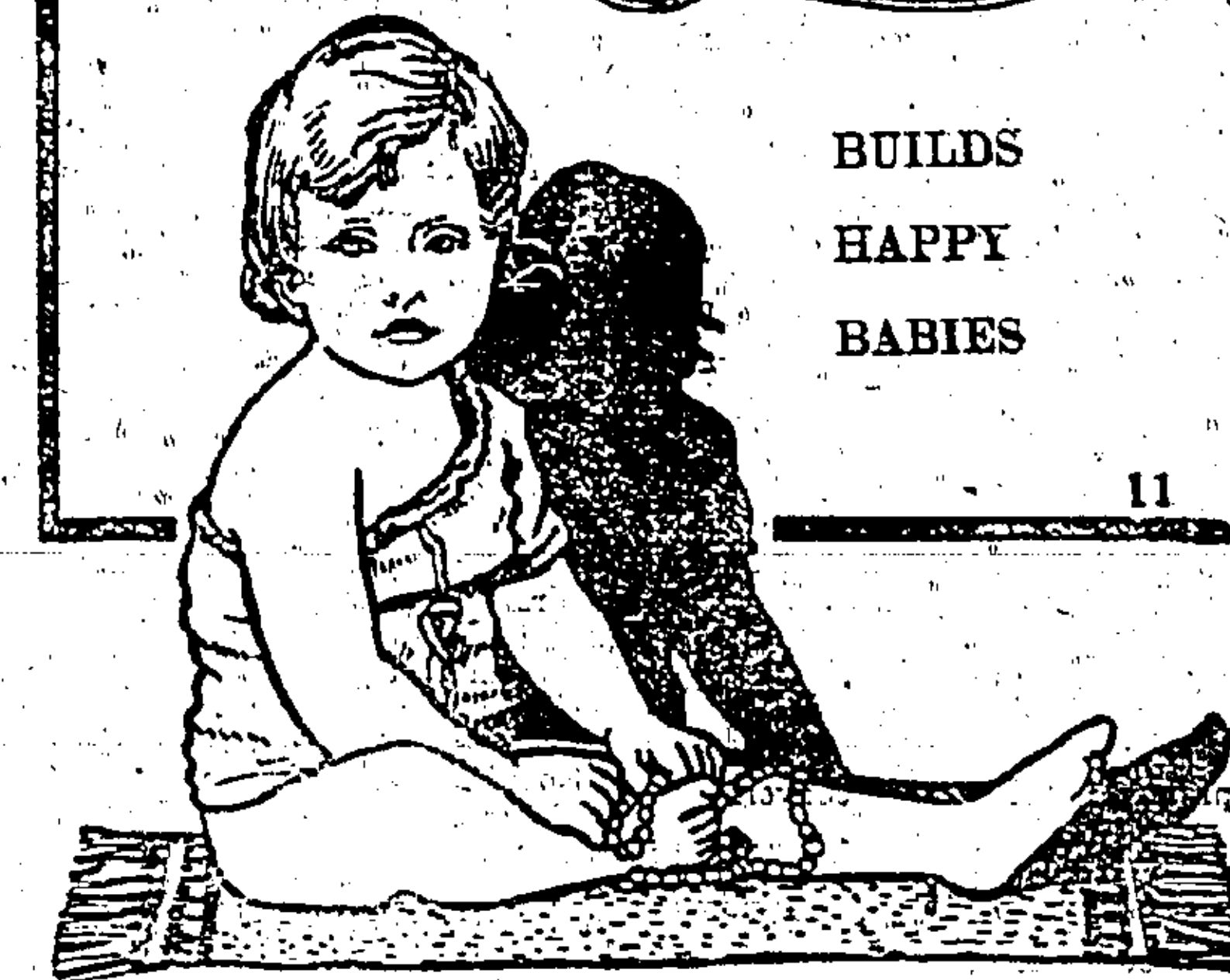
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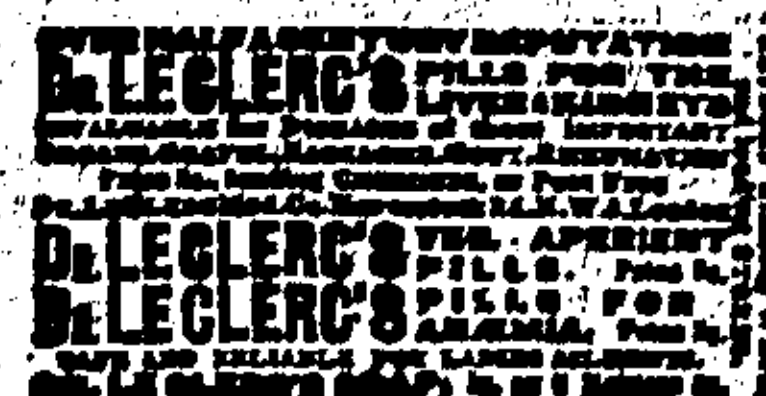
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Pat Tai, Chinese str., 1,016 tons, Capt. A. Buhre, from Bangkok, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. 436—K. Larsen & Co.
Phraungmy, British str., 1,032 tons, Capt. H. C. Kiddle, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 410—Cheong Yue S.S. Co.
Yuetwah, Chinese str., 884 tons, Capt. E. Waitnek, from Pakhoi, with a cargo of coal and rice, lying at buoy No. 440—Tung Woo S.S. Co.
December 16th.
Empress of Asia, British str., 8,884 tons, Capt. L. D. Douglas, R.N.R., from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 41—C.P.S.S.
Fushimi Maru, Japanese str., 4,848 tons, Capt. S. Ikawa, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 41—N.Y.K.
Gyo Maru, Japanese str., 1,936 tons, Capt. J. Mikami, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 434—Mitsui & Co.
Isla de Panay, Spanish str., 2,087 tons, Capt. E. Garraon, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 415—Bato-Bato Bros.
Katse Maru, Japanese str., 914 tons, Capt. S. Sato, from Takao, Amoy, and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at O.S.K. wharf—O.S.K.
Kueiching, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. R. Turgill, from Tientsin and Weihaiwei, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 418—B. & S.
Lianan, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. 139.
Taiwan, British str., 1,459 tons, Capt. R. D. Thomas, from Melbourne and Manila, with a general cargo, lying at Lanchow—B. & S.
Tango Maru, Japanese str., 4,238 tons, Capt. Y. Arakawa, from Nagasaki, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—N.Y.K.
Tijuan, Dutch str., 2,773 tons, Capt. F. Meerman, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 411—J.C.J.L.
West Sequoia, American str., 3,521 tons, Capt. E. Svendsen, from San Francisco, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—Struthers & Barry.

CLEARANCES.

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Hong Kong, for Tientsin Bay.
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Lianan, for Shanghai.
Nishio Maru, for Keelung.
President Jefferson, for Shanghai.
Prosper, for Saigon.
Tango Maru, for Manila.
Tijuan, for Batavia.
Tijuan, for Muntok.
West Sequoia, from Manila.

SHIPPING NOTES.

Silk forwarded from here by the *Empress of Russia* on December 20th arrived in New York (St. John's Park) on December 10th, having been 22 days in transit.

PASSENGERS.

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WEATHER REPORT.

December 16th at 17:31—Warning to Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.—Depression or typhoon of unknown intensity with 60 miles of Lat. 12 deg. N. Long. 127 deg. E., moving North.
 December 16th at 17:35—Pressure has increased moderately at Chefoo; other changes are slight. The anticyclone remains stationary, and the typhoon is situated in Lat. 12 deg. N. and Long. 127 deg. E., moving North.
 Strong monsoon will continue along the S.E. coast of China and over the north part of the China Sea.
 Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Dec. 16th 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 93.49 inches, against an average of 82.61 inches.
 The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Dec. 17th is as follows:—
 Direction ... N.E. winds, strong.
 Force ... N. winds, strong.
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 South coast of China between ... do.
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HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, December 16th.

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	30.05	30.16	30.12
Temperature ...	68	56	68
Humidity ...	53	56	45
Wind Direction ...	East	N	SW
Force ...	4	2	2
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ANDRE LEBON	30th Nov.	22nd Dec.	18th Jan.
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"MACEDONIA"	11,089	10th Jan.	Marseilles & London
"SICILIA"	6,813	31st Jan.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KALYAN"	9,115	24th Jan.	Mars. London, B'dam, & Antwerp
"MORA"	10,911	7th Feb.	Marseilles & London
"SARDINIA"	6,854	18th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	21st Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	7th Mar.	Marseilles & London
"BOUDAN"	6,696	18th Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	31st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SICILIA"	6,813	31st Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MAINTUA"	10,938	4th Apr.	Marseilles & London
"KARMA"	9,888	18th Apr.	Mars. L'don, & A'warp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	2nd May	Marseilles & London
"SARDINIA"	6,854	16th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.

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"TAKLIWA"	8,500	30th Dec.	Singapore only
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"TAKADA"	8,949	20th Jan.	do.

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"MORA"	10,911	10th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	24th Jan.	do.
"SARDINIA"	6,854	24th Jan.	do.
"MALWA"	10,941	7th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,953	7th Feb.	Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"BOUDAN"	6,696	21st Feb.	do.
"SICILIA"	6,813	7th Mar.	do.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	7th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"MAINTUA"	10,938	21st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMA"	9,888	21st Mar.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	3rd Apr.	do.
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"NAGOYA"	6,954	32nd Apr.	do.
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Ports	Steamers	Date of Departure	D.L.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"LIAN"	On 17th Dec.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"TEAN"	On 17th Dec.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG"	On 18th Dec.	11 a.m.
WIRELAIWAI, CHEEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 19th Dec.	4 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"LIANGCHOW"	On 20th Dec.	11 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KIANGSU"	On 21st Dec.	D.L.
SHANGHAI	"SHANSI"	On 21st Dec.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 22nd Dec.	11 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SUNNING"	On 23rd Dec.	D.L.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"YINGCHOW"	On 24th Dec.	Noon
SHANGHAI	"SZECHOW"	On 25th Dec.	11 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TAMING"	On 25th Dec.	11 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"KOOHOW"	On 27th Dec.	Noon
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	"CHINHUA"	On 28th Dec.	11 a.m.

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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
SHANGHAI	Liangchow	17th Dec.
STRAITS	Kilano Maru	17th Dec.
JAVA	Typhoon	18th Dec.
JAPAN AND AMOY	Typhoon	18th Dec.
SHANGHAI	Shanlung	18th Dec.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Pres. Grant	19th Dec.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Troilus	21st Dec.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Pres. Grant	22nd Dec.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Pres. Taft	23rd Dec.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Haruna Maru	29th Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday 18th Dec.	Tango Maru	Registration 8.45 A.M. Letters 9.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Suez—due 17th Jan. 1925.	Fushimi Maru	Registration 9.45 A.M. Letters 10.30 A.M.
Sandakan	Hwang	10.30 A.M.
Java via Batavia	Typhoon	11.00 A.M.
Amoy	Laiang	2.30 P.M.
Hoihow and Tourane	Nam Wah	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Kilano Maru	Thursday, 18th, 9.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Chukwa Maru	9.30 A.M.
Straits	Van Ooststraten	11.30 A.M.
Swatow	Hydrangas	3.30 P.M.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & South America, and EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 12th Jan. 1925.	Achilles	Parcels, 18th, 5.00 P.M. Reg., 19th, 9.45 A.M. Letters, 10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Haiching	Noon
Wei Hai Wei	Kuichow	2.30 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kilano Maru	5.00 P.M.
Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday 18th Dec. 1924.	Taiyuan	Parcels, 19th, 5.00 P.M. Registration, 20th, 8.00 A.M. Letters, 8.30 A.M.
Amoy	Tamsang	10.30 A.M.
Manila	Pres. Grant	3.30 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Suez—due 17th Jan. 1925.	Angers	Registration 4.15 P.M. Letters 5.00 P.M.
Port Bayard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Hanoi	5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Kuichow	5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Amatsuma Maru	Sunday, 21st, 9.00 A.M.
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Pres. Monroe	Monday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Hai Ning	Tuesday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, L. Marques, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Suez—due 17th Jan. 1925.	Khiao	Parcels, Fri. 26th, 9.00 A.M. Registration, 27th, 9.45 A.M. Letters, 10.30 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Haruna Maru	Tuesday, 30th, 10.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, L. Marques, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Suez—due 17th Jan. 1925.	Hakonaki Maru	Wednesday, 31st, 8.45 A.M. Registration, 1.30 P.M.

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Hongkong, 12nd September, 1924. [28]

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Hongkong, April 8th, 1924. [31]

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